JOHN O. EVANS DEAD.

ONE OF OUR CITY'S BEST FRIENDS.

He Passes Away Suddenly, After a Brief Illness-Sketch of His Busy Life-His Wonderful Energy, Strict Integrity, and Sterling Qualities.

The community was shocked by the announce ment in yesterday's papers of the serious illness of Mr. John O. Evans, so well known and so greatly respected in this city, and a deep and sincere grief fell upon his many friends when, two hours later, dispatches were received conveying the sad intelligenec of his death. The circumstances surround-ing his death are such as to excite peculiar interest and sympathy. During a recent business visit to Chicago he contracted a severe cold, which in a few days columnated in inflammation of the bowels. He seemed to rally, however, and so late as Thursday last was at work upon matters connected with the Mutmal Union Telegraph Company, of which he was the president.

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to go Friday to his birthplace at Payetteville, N. Y.,
where, at the residence of his father and brother,
Dr. D. S. Evans, who occupies the homestead, they
were to have a grand family reunion on thristmas
Day. Several intimate friends in Washington had
been invited, and they intended leaving vesterday,
Some of them did leave yesterday, but instead of
meeting their genial and hospitable friend they
will perform the sad duty of accompanying the
cold clay tenment of him whom they so greatly
loved to its last resting-piace by the home which it
was expected would resound with mirth and the
pleasantries incident to the holiday season. His
death occurred at the Gilsey House, New York, at
half-pass six o'clock yesterday morning, in the
forty-fifth year of his age.

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as has been stated, at Fayetteville, N. Y. When a young man be went to Virginia with his father, who was identified with the fumber interest to a very large extent, and was also a railroad contractor, and at the outbreak of the war, as their sympathies were with the Union, their business was broken up and they were forced to come North with other Northern men who were doing business in the State. A singular incident connected with his leaving Viginia will prove of interest. In the prosecution of their work it was necessary to compley many laborers, and the only people to employ were slaves. These were hired from their masters, under contract, for a specified length of time. When the Evanses were ordered to leave there was no time to settle up accounts and they left their laborers partially unpaid. After the war had closed the masters of the slaves they had employed came to Washington and claimed the wages due their former slaves under the contracts made by the elder Evans. Mr John O., rather than have the inconvenience of a long litigation, paid for the slaves' services, although there was no law which could have compelled him to do so. Mr. Evans for a while rana newsstand at the Hygein Hote! for his restless activity could not permit him to be idle, and then came to this city, where he secured a clerkship in the New Yopen time, however, for his father obtained several contracts under the Navy Department and he joined him in their execution, among them being the building of the extensive military wharf at Annapolis. Subsequently Mr. Evans Opense A Large Lumber-Yard

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in this city, which he successfully carried on for
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The fer, of Baltimore, and they become extensive yernment contractors in the erection of
public buildings and works in various parts of the
country, among which was the splendid edifice,
the hospital at Annapolis. He carly saw the need
of improvements in this District, and be was active in every movement for the advancement of
the interests of the National Capital. When the
territorial form of government was organized, and
the work of systematic improvement began, Mr.
Evans, who had already anassed quite a respectable fortune, entered largely into
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works. It was while engaged in these contracts
that his great executive capacity and keen business sagacity became generally recognized in the
community. He bought a great deal of land in
different portions of the city, and probably crected
in the District more buildings, both for business
purposes and for private residences, than any
other individual except Governor Shepherd. He
was connected with every prominent local business enterprise, and of many of them he was the
originator and founder. He organized the Second
National Bank, and for many years was a disector and vice-president. He recognized

THE COLUMBAN BANK-NOTE COMPANY, and during the period of its presperity was largely instrumental in promoting its success. He organized the Washington Brick Machine Company, and first brought into general use here machine-made bricks. He was a large stockholder and the active manager of the National Dredging Company, which has been engaged in the work of dredging and excavating not only here but in Baltimere, Wilmington, Philadelphia, Norfolk, and other har-bors of the country, and controls the drodging ma-chinery on the Atlantic coest.

HIS LATEST ENTERPRISE was the establishment of the Mutual Union Telegraph Company, into which he put all the force of his indomitable energy and extensive business experience. So rapidly has the company grown that it has already built and acquired connection with fifty thousand miles of wire, and is a most formidable competitor to the Western Union Company. The rapid and almost unprecedented success of this company has been due mainly to the industry and sagacity of Mr. Evans, and his loss will be deeply felt by his associates. Mr. Evans was a member of the vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, and when in the city was a rapular attendant upon the services of that church. Mr. Evans was

extremely companie; thie, of the strictest business integrity, and impressed all with whom he came in contact with his sterling qualities. He was of an exceedingly kindly nature, and instead of attempting to frown down and crush out the asperations of young men, as many successful business men are prone to do, he fostered and encouraged them whenever they came under his notice. Many men who are now prosperous and in comfortable circumstances can trace the commencement of their success to his

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He leaves a wife, but no children. Mrs. Evans is well-known in Washington society, having aided, with her womanly tact and refined manner, the hospitable disposition of her husband. She is also greatly beloved for her unofentations generosity, having been always foremest in contributing to every charitable cuterprise. Her large circle of warmly-attached friends will sincerely sympathize with her in her great bereavement. Mr. Evans was a very wealthy man, his property being estimated at very nearly \$2,000,000, all of which was accumulated within twenty years. The remains will be taken from New York city to Fayetteville to-day, and the funeral services will be on Wednesday.

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New York, Dec. 25.—John Orville Evans, the president of the Matual Union Telegraph Company, died at the Gilbey House in this city this morning after an illness of a few days. Mr. Evans had worked very hard for some time pa tin getting his company started, and while in Chicago a few weeks ago contracted a severe cold, from which, however, it was thought ha had quite recovered, as on Thursday he had a stenographer at his rooms and transacted a great deal of business, and in the evening had the general manager and general superintendent of the company with him, and felt so well that he raid he would be at his office on Friday. During the night, though, he was taken with a severe chill, and secondary pneumonia and congostion of the kidneys set in, and by Saturday the physicians pronounced the case hopeless, and he gradually sunk, until death ensued at seven o'clock this morning. Mr. Evans creeted a fine block of buildings in Washington called the Evans Building, which is cecupied to a considerable extent by newspaper correspondents, and which yielded bim a large revenue. Some year and a half sago he conceived the idea of building and leasing a number his company came to the conclusion that it would be wise to extend its operations to the telegraphic business generally throughout the country, and to that end the extension of the lines to the principal cities was begun inst May, and the formal opening of the company was announced last Tuesday. To Mr. Evans' personal enterprise, and to his faculty of inspiring those counceted with him with vigor and confidence, is due the rapidity with which he lines have been pushed to their present extensive limits, and it is fortunate or the company, but by his many friends throughout the company, that his services were spared to it until it was put into officency and the services are passed to t

GARFIELD AND VIRGINIA.

Slanders by "a Near Friend" Refuted-Who is He? Who is Her

The Washington Fost pesterilay contained an article accusing the late President Garfield of desiring a Bourton victory in the recent Virginia campaign. This it states upon the authority of "a gentleman who was a near friend of the late President, and one who, of all others, knew his mind and intentions." This near friend represents to the Fost that "General Garfield would never have aided Mahone in any way;" to all of which pompous and solemn declaration by the "near friend of the late President, and the one who, of all others, knew his mind and intentions," the reply is that it is

AS PALSE AS GENERAL GARFIELD WAS TRUE. AS PALSE AS GENERAL GARRIELD WAS TRUE.

The "near friend" has imposed upon the Post, or else taken it into partnership for a joint imposition upon the public. The statement of General
Mahone's views concerning the debt question in
Virginia, which was printed in January, 1890, in
various newspapers, and in which he explained
the Readjusters' stitutes and advocated the Riddieberger bill, was submitted to General Garfield
at Mentor about that time and his opinion obtained. He said concerning it: "Taking the
facts as therein stated, that is an honest document,
Mark you, I do not wish to be understood as
doubting its statements of fact; I only say that accerting the facts as stated, it is an honest proposition."

THE WAS SAID TO FOUR PRISONS,

THE WAS SAID TO FOUR PERSONS, one of them a United States Senator. After General Garfield became President he declared to many his approval of the coalition, He was indeed the author of the method finally adopted. He and General Mahone flavored one election for delegates and one convention. President Garfield recommended that the Readjusters and Republicans hold segarate conventions and coalesce by the action of those bodies. The inter course was taken. President Garfield idd not then leave Republicans who called upon him in any doubt as to what he hoped the Lynchburg convention would do.

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ME EXPENSED HIMSELF FIRMLY against a straight Republican ticket and in favor of a coalition with the Readjusters. There are many witnesses, some of them gentlemen of high national reputation, who will bear witness to the fact that President Garfleat was an avowed friend of the Virginia coalition. All that has been stated above will be established by the testimony of men of high character if the Posts "near friend" of the dead President will give his name to the public in connection with any such stuff as appeared in its yesterday's issue.

Impressive Services at the Sitekney Memorial Chapel.

The memorial chapel erected by Mr. William Stickney is memory of his son, William S. Stickney, was solemnly dedicated yesterday afternoon. The editics, which is a pleasing structure of pressed-brick covered with state, stands on a lot corner of Fifth and P streets, donated by the late Amos Kendall. The interior has been prettily finished in natural wood, with frescoed ceiling and stained glass windows. Right and left of the vestibule are Bible class rooms and the chapel, which is a mission of Calvary Baptist Church, is the finest mission school in the city. Mr. William S. Stickney, who died at Los Pinos, Col., July, 1880, was formerly superintendent of the mission, and it was to perpetuate bis memory that his father, William Stickney, built this chapel. But the grim destroyer laid its fell hand on the afflicted father ere the work was finished, and it was left to his noble widow, whose munificent charity has far years been quietly but judiciously dispensed to linish the work.

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At half-past three the chapel was well filled. A life-sized oil painting of Mr. Stickney, jr., by Henry Ulke, was hung back of the desk, at the opposite end being a portrait of Mr. William Stickney festooned in evergreens. After singing and prayer, Mr. M. M. Barliett delivered by Rev. S. H. Greene, pastor of Cavalry Baptist Church, who gave a sketch of the school since its organization in 1869, and showed that the enterprise was intended for the people of that section of the city, and that they should realize the responsibility resting on them. The Hon, W. T. Shallenberger, of Pennsylvania, followed and delivered a brief but elegant extempore address. He dwelt on the untitle of the scholars. His remarks were listened to with deep attention. The Hon, Mark Dunnell and daughter, Commissioner Dent, Dr. Wellington of Columbian University, President Gallandt, General Whittlessy, Henry Board, Horatio King and wife, Robert C. Fox, and many other well-known gentlemen were among the congregation. The chapet, exclusive of the ground, costs \$10,000. The work was carried out from designs by Mr. H. H. Kendall, of the Supervising Architect's Office, Mr. W. H. Morrison being the contractor. A MEMORIAL TO PATHER AND SON ALIKE.

Jeff Davis' Gold.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., Dec. 25.—The Daily Telegraph ublishes an interview with two ex-officers of the phiblishes an interview with two ex-oncers of the Michigan cavalry regiment who were engaged in the capture of Jeff Davis. One of the officers states that a private soldier of the Fourth Michigan Cavalry at Richmond identified Davis' horse and took possession of it, finding saddle-bags and holsters filled with gold coin. The soldier buried the gold, and a year or more after the war returned and recovered the money, brought it North, and gave numerous pieces to members of his regiment. The sum was originally \$14.000, being part of the money divided among the confederate president's retinue at Abbeyville when erowded by Federal cavalry. An officer of another regiment states that subsequent to the capture of Davis a large sum of specie, understood to be \$80,000 or more, from a confederate specie train, was discovered by the soldiers in a house near the ferry, where the fugitive president and a wagon train crossed the river into Georgia. This money was scattered among the soldiers and lost.

A Supposed Double Murder in Virginia.
Perfessura, Va., Dec. 25.—Information has been received here of what is supposed to have been the murder of two young men in Sussex County Friday night. The names of the victims are Glover and Murrell, and they were employed as clerks in the store of J. H. & J. B. Prince at Green Plain. Late Friday night a colored boy visited the store, and, finding it closed, looked under the door and saw the young men lying on the floor. Falling to arouse them, the boy ran to inform their friends. Before the latter reached the store it was in flames and two explosions were heard. It is thought that the young men were first murdered, after which the store was set on fire as the colored boy remembers hearing two pistol shots before he reached the store. A posse of men is scouring the woods in scarce of two suspected tramps.

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A Murder as Harper's Ferry.

Special to Take Harpentan.

Habren's Ferry. W. V.A., Dec. 25.—At noon yeserday Dr. J. F. Hartgrove shot and instantly killed Wilford C. Chambers in the bar-room of the Mountain View Hotel at this place. Hartgrove was a special policeman and was deputized to arrest Chambers, and when approached Chambers made some attempts toward resisting, and Hartgrove drew a pistol and fired, killing him instantly. The prisoner, through his counsel, James D. Butt, say, waived an examination before the magistrate and was committed to the county juil.

A Model Democratic Governor.

Lettis Rock, Abr., Dec M.—The Senate committee on auditor's and treasurer's books, appointed by the last Legislature, submitted a statement to-day to Governor Churchill showing an apparent deficit of \$164.000 in his accounts as interessurer. The Governor claims that he can satisfactorily explain the seeming deficit and can clearly show it to be erroneous. An investigation by the committee will begin on Tuesday, when the Governor will appear and submit his statement.

A Steamer Sunk at Bremen. London, Dec. 25.—The steamship Braunschweig, of th. North Garman Lloyd Line, was sunk in the barber of Bremen, the water baving entered her ports while sho was coaling. The Braunschweig was to sail on the 28th instant for Baltimore.

CHRISTMAS CHIPS

MAINLY OF A POLITICAL NATURE.

Interesting Notes Gathered Here and There by " The Republican's" Ambassador-More Appointments at the Capitol and Elszwhere-The Hant for Office.

The ignorance of history displayed by the able editor of the sprightly Grille is smaging. Ex-Senator Paddock, of Nebrasks, is said to have declined the office of Assistant Secretary of the

the ninety-four newspapers of that State as their advocates.

Now is it reported that Speaker Keifer has a longing eye on the chair of the presiding officer at the other end of the Capitol.

All the executive departments will be closed to-day and also on Monday next. During this week the Departments will close at twelve m. each day. A portrait of President Garfield, painted on porcelain by Herr Sturm, a Drosden artist, has been sent from Germany as a Christmas gift for Mrs. Garfield.

There is said to be no male descendant of the Summer family. Its only representatives are the three nicese of the great Senator—the daughters of his sister, Mrs. Julia Hastings.

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N. W. Simmons, of Pennsylvania, has been appointed a clerk in the House document room, vice Henry, and Leander A. Robb a messenger in the office of the Clerk of the House.

Brewster is a strong man. We are giad to see him in the Cabinet. He has an antipathy to thieves.—Cincinnois Commercial. Therefore, Marat Halstead is advised to keep away from Washington. ton.

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The wind whistles mournfully through the wires as they sadly communicate the intelligence that Statesman Matt Martin, of Columbus, has been "retired" from a committee clerkship at Washington through the grasping tondenoies of the Republican party.—Cinchnoti Engister.

The Hon, John R. Thomas, of Illinois, has been obliged to forego his intended visit home during the holidays, in consequence of pressing business in connection with the interests of his constituents requiring attention here. He will remain in Washington during the entire Decso of Congress.

Mr. Dawes, representative from the Pomercy (Ohio) District, is working hard to secure the construction by the Government of an iee-harbor for steamboats at Middleport, on the Ohio River. All the steamboat men on that river and on the Big and Little Kanawha Rivers are earnestly in favor of the project.

Probably no single committee appointment made by Speaker Keifer will meet with more hearty and unanimous approval by the people of the great valley of the Mississippi than that of the Hon. John R. Thomas, of the Cairo (III.) District, to the chairmanship of the Mississippi Levee and Improvement Committee.

The hardest worked class in this city last Saturday was about \$3,900, against an average daily sale of \$900 worth, and above \$15 were collected on underpaid mail.

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There is a good deal of speculation as to who the coming Commissioner of Patents will be, but it is mostly confined to the principal candidates and their friends. Those who are said to be making the heaviest efforts for the place are Messrs. Dodge, Mitchell, Stone, and Dyrenfurth. It is not likely that either will be appointed.

Representative Kasson will be made chairman of the Committee on Interocanic Canals when it is appointed by the Speaker.—Scalarday's Nar. Everybody but the Star has known this since last Monday, when Mr. Kasson moved the appointment of said committee, the motion temporarily failing through the filibustering of Sam Randail.

The people along the Ohio River between Cinclinati and Louisville, on both sides of the river, are making a great effort to have the steamboat mail service between the two cities above named restored. It will be remembered that this service was abolished in one of Reformer James spasma last spring. "Drop by drop the spring runs dry."

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has heretofore been published in the team.

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The statement made by the Evening Star that Senator Logan did not favor the appointment of the Ron. Jesse Spaulding to the collectorship of the bon. Jesse Spaulding to the collectorship of the port of Chicago is incorrect. Senator Logan did favor the appointment of Mr. Spaulding, indorsed him for the position, and secured his immediate confirmation when his nomination reached the Senate.

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Democratic papers down South complain because First Assistant Postmaster-General Hatton turns out Democratic postmasters and puts in Republicans. They say it destroys "harmony." Just so. All the harmony down there of late years has been Democratic harmony. The Republicans want a little harmony down there of late years has been Democratic harmony. The Republicans want a little harmony in theirs—and they will get it from this administration.

The State Horticultural Society of Indiana held its recent seasion at Muncle, Ind. Speaking of the members in attendance, the Times of that city says: "We wager that in a comparison with the lower House of Congress, neither their line looks nor intelligence would suffer in the least." Now, what have those guileless horticulturalists done that such a comparison should be made?

The Hon. W. R. Moore, of the Memghis (Tennessee) District, is overhanding the Departments to see how many clerks and employees are accredited to his district, who they are, and where from That district having been heretofore represented by a Democrat, Mr. Moore thinks that there may be Democrates or non-residents holding office at the expense of his constituents, and if to be the case he very properly wants to remedy it.

The following committee clerks have been appointed: John L. Andrew, of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, of which the Hon. G. W. Shallenberger, of Pennsylvania, is chairman. Byron Andrews, correspondent of the Chicago Huter-Ocean, of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, of which the Hon. G. B. Beiford, of Colorado, is chairman.

It would seem that Illinois is not likely to suffer for lack of an able statesman to aucceed Senator penditures in the Treasury Department, of which the Hon. J. B. Beiford, of Colorado, is chairman. It would seem that Illinois is not likely to suffer for lack of an able statesman to succeed Senator Davis at the close of his term, as it is understood that at least five distinguished sons of the Frairie State have aircady signified their readiness to present themselves as free-will offerings on the senatorial altar when the demand for the sacrifice shall be made in the winter of 1882-85, namely: flowerner Shelby M. Cullom, Geperal John I. Ritisker, the Hon. Green B. Raum, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and the Hons. Cannon and Henderson, members of the lower House of Congress.

Certain Democratic papers in this section are sharply criticizing Colonel W. R. Moore, of the Tenth Tennessee District, for demanding that his State and district receive at the hands of the Departments the quota of employees allowed by law. Colonel Moore in thus asserting his rights is doing no more than his duty, and his claim should be recognized as a matter of justice. His district is very close, and can always be carried by a Republican who, like Colonel Moore, possesses the confidence of the business men of the city of Memphis, provided the authorities do not permit bis influence to be weakened by withholding from him, the recognition which his talents, energy, and high character demand.

The English courts have recently decided three test eness concerning suffrage. The point was

The Records of the Pilpper Trial.

Special to The Republican.

San Antono, Texas, Dec. 24.—The records of the trial of Lieutenant Henry O. Pilpper, the colored officer of the Tenth Cavalry, whose trial by court-martial at Fort Clark for embezziement ended last week, has arrived at department headquariers, in charge of Captalu John W. Clous, Twenty-fourth Infantry, aciting judge-advocate of the department, who was the judge-advocate of Filipper's court. The record covers about twenty-five hundred pages of manuscript, and the sentence of the court is known here among many officers to be dismissal.

TROOPER.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25.—The time allowed for the extra session of the Legislature expired last night, but will be continued for ten days longer by special proclamation of the Governor. The senate less night, by a large majority, expelled the chair of president of the sonate, and chose the chair of president of Governor Wills promoted lactucenant-Governor McEnery to the executive chair, and the gubernatorial succession is

The News of the Jennette Belayed.

Lospon, Dec. 25.—A Vionna dispatch says:
"According to intelligence from St. Petersburg, great indignation prevails there at the reprehensible conduct of the President of the Administration of Eastern Biberia, who refused to telegraph an announcement of the Jeannette survivors became they were without founds. The first news of their escape was consequently delayed ten weeks.

Beath of an Old, Hoosler, TERRE HAUTE, IND., Dec. 25.—Lucius Rice, an old and prominent citizen of this place, died sud-denly this morning in the Congregational Church, of which he was one of the founders.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES,

Preaching by Rev. William Everett at All Socials—The Assembly Church.

As Christmas fell on Surday its observance was general by all denominations, and not only were the insulate exercises of exceptional attraction but the various clergymen were more than usually interesting in their serions. The decotations of evergreens and flowers were in many instances very elaborate. The full programme of music in the principal churches was published in Saturday's its principal churches was published in Saturday's its principal churches was published in Saturday's its principal churches was produced for the first time in this country Guilmant! Royal Mass, No. 3, which was excellently rendered, the soloists all sustaining their parts well, and an augmented chorus furnishing valuable assistance.

At L. actus? Church the pastor, Rev. R. Shippen, preached a Christmas sermen from the text, 'I am the Light of the World,' John vill, 12 showing how the experience of the centuries comes like the Maq! of old to render reversince to Jesus for the blessings of lils gospel, and how lils practical leadership in giving mankind a purer religion, a sure hope in immortally, and a larger brotherly love establishes the high claim that the has been and is still filted to be pre-eminently. The Light of the World.' In the evening the pastor, reserving his intended address on "The Divinity of Christ." for next Sunday evening, introduced in his place a welcome though unexpected visitor, Rev. Dr. William Everett, of Boston, son of Hon. Edward Everett, whose eloquence delighted the large throng who filled che house, as he spoke of the homagon Christ, befitting the celebration of his birth, and bore testinanys his true divinity as representative of the one termal Ged, whom alone Unitarians worship, emphasizing the Scripture text above the pupit.' This is life eternal that they might know thase, the only the following: "Adeste Fidelex." ave. by Novella; "Hark, the Hereid Augels Sing," Mendelssooin; "Hark, the Hereid Augels

Bought and Two Police Officers.

One of the usual Sunday afternoon brawls on the Island happened yesterday afternoon. Ellen Duckett, a notorious colored "vag" and smasher generally, was drunk and creating a disturbance on Third and L. streets southwest, and officers Brauson and Howell, of the First Precise Station, aftempted to arrest her. Immediately an immensome bed by her brother, Sam Duckett, a notorious thief and rowdy, surrounded the efficers and tried to rescue the prisoner. A terrible fight ensued, in which Bransom was struck several times with stones and thrown down and his clothes nearly torn from his body, his club, badge, and beltcheing wronehed away. Meanwhile Howell was wrestling with the Duckett woman, and, as she is as strong as any man, he had a hard lime of it. During the serimmage she bit his first finger nearly off, but through the palm of his right hand, and laid his head open with a stone. Branson managed to release himself, and, drawing his pistol, fired, and saw a man drop to the ground face downwards. Branson rushed forward to scenre his man, but was called by Howell to come to his rescue, and help take Ellen to the station-house, which they at last succeeded in doing. Returning to the seems of action they found that the man hit was Sam Duckett, and made vigilant search to find him, but he had been spirited away and it was impossible to discover his whereabouts. The officers continued searching until a late hour, but have not succeeded in finding him, he evidently having been secreted in some low shanty. From the way Duckett woman has just returned from serving a six months' sentence in just presumed he was hit in the right side, near the region of the heart. Whether the wound is mortai remains to be seen. This Duckett woman has just returned from serving a six months' sentence in just returned from serving a six months' sentence in just returned from serving a six months' sentence in just returned from serving a six month's sentence in just returned from serving a six months' sentence

The Poor Rensembered.

A very enjoyable Christmas entertainment occurred on Saturday evening at the New York Avenue Church. Practical charity was hended with the Practical charity was hended with the picasure which the scholars of the Sunday school enjoyed, and in the room up-stairs contributions of groceries, money, clothing, &c., were liberally made for the poor of the Bethany and Gurley Missions. The children collected in the room down-stairs, and in one center a series of beautiful tableaux held thorattention and clifted numerous expressions of delight from the little ones. One tableau was entitled "The Choice," and another represented in a very effective way "The Closing and the Coming Year," These were interspected with exercises appropriate to the cecasion, under the direction of the effective length; Mr. Williams. The church precentor, Mr. Kohr, rendered in his usual acceptable manner two The Poor Remembered. Mr. Williams. The church precentor, Mr. Kohr, remdered in his usual acceptable manner two spics, entitled "The Tars Farewell" and "The Tin Soldier." Mr. Smith, the popular Sebbath school precentor, led the school in singing a number of Caristmas carols. At the conclusion of the exercises the was presented by the teachers with a handsome easy chair. The entertainment closed in a manner that was highly satisfactory to the children by the distribution of candies and other Christmas presents.

Another Assaultantion Plot.

It has been the custom in former years for the night ledging-house on Louisiana avenue to open Christmas Eve, and one of the managers stated recently that this custom would be observed this year; but owing to the fact that complete arrange-ments for the recention of the unfortunates have not yet been made, the opening has been post-poned.

Paiture of a Well-Known Brewer.

READING, PA., Dec. 5.—Frederick Lauer, the well-known brewer, chairman of the aritation committee of the Brewers' Congress of the United States, failed here yesterday. His liabilities are placed at \$200,000 and his assets at about \$250,000, He operates two extensive breweries here, his trade extending West and South.

LOUISVILLE, KY. Dec. 23.—Edmund A. Heffield was seized with a fit of insanity this morning and killed his wife while she was sleeping by cutting onen the large veins in her arms, causing her to bleed to death.

President Arthur at Church.

New Yoas, Dec. 25.—President Arthur attended the Church of the Heavenly Rest this morning, and during the afternoon and evening received a number of callers at his house.

CAPITAL JOTTINGS.

C. PRID SILBERRAVER, of the Cape of Good Hope, is a guest of the Arilegton.

SECRETARY FOLGER has gone to Geneva, New York, to seem the holidays with his family.

POSTMASTER-CENERAL HOWE has a farm near

mond, Va., is spending the holidays with his parents, at 425 New York avenue.

Mn. Honacz Gray, the newly-appointed Justice of the Supreme Court, is more than six feet tall, and stout in proportion. He is a bachelor.

Mn. Cant. Scruyer, in his locture on "Civil-Service Polices" which he is delivering in Young.

Reform," which he is delivering in New England, pays a high compliment to President Arthur in re-gard to that question.

tion about routine army matters in the Department of Missouri.

The question of increasing the pay of the night inspectors in the several custom-houses is being considered by Secretary Folger, whose attention has been brought to it by the collector of customs; in Philadelphia an increase of fifty cents a day, making their pay \$3 instead of \$2.50.

The President is a healthy, robust man, but oven he can't endure without exhaustion the strain of a constant sleep by office-seckers. Mr. Arthur is now going through very much the same experience that General Garffield had last apring. The bigger the country gets the harder it is to be President. The present incumbent, however, has a decided advantage over some men in that he knows how to say no and stick to it.

This Secretary of the Treasury has issued the following circular to collectors of customs and others:

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"The fee of twenty cants for an ufficial certificate
will not hereafter be charged for officially certifying

GONE UP IN SMOKE.

GREAT DESTRUCTION OFPROPERTY.

Upward of \$3,000,000 Worth of Goods and Build ings Burned in New York and Elscwhere-Full Details of the Losses and Insurance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 .- The United States bonded volving a loss that was estimated at fully \$3,000,000, on account of the extraordinarily valuable articles stored in the building, such as India shawls, raw silk, and wine. The fire burned most furiously until nearly daylight on the Maiden Lane side of the building. Volumes of fame and smoke poured out of the windows of the upper stories, and every now and then there was the crash of fallen massenry as a piece of building went to the ground. Burning cinders and marks are considered by the windows the shaping. ing went to the ground. Burning cinders and sparks were carried by the wind over the shipping at the adjacent wharees, and when a sudden rush of fire lichted up the night men could be seen on the decks and in the rigging taking care of the wandering fire-brands.

An extensive fire broke out in the cellar of a dry goods store at No. 328 Broadway last night at half-past eight o'clock. The firemen were unable to force their way into the building for some time, and the fire made such headway that a general alarm was sent out. The heavy fron shuttern were at last broken down, when the dense volume of smoke that had been kept in by them burst forth, thus preventing the fremen from ascertalning the exact locality of the flames. Streams of water from several engines were turned into the first floor and cellar. An entrance was also effected at No. 71 Pranklin sirred, and the fire was soon under 'control, but not until nearly a quarter of million dollars' worth of property had been destroyed. The building was owned by Travers & Colgate, of No. 47 Wall street, and is damaged to the extent of at least \$10,000. The store in Broadway was occupied by W.T. Moore & Co., desders in linems and dress goods, and by Alvah, I all & Co., umbrella manufacturers. Moore & Co., desders in linems and dress goods, and by Alvah, I all & Co., umbrella manufacturers. Moore & Co., desders in linems and dress goods, and by Alvah, I all & Co., be found floor and cellars were occupied by John Stewart, a dealer in linens, white goods, and silks. The four upper stories contained knit goods owned by S. Baron.

Wantan, Mass., Dec. 25.—Early yesterday morning F. L., White & Co., *tanning and currying shop, near Highland Station, with the machinery and a large quantity of stock, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$150,000. The store the surface is not known.

Ballston Sea, N. Y., Dec. 25.—At a quarter after

large quantity of stock, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$15,000. The full amount of the insurance is not known.

Baliston Spa, N. Y., Dec. 25.—At a quarter after ten last evening a fire broke out in the famous Sans Souci Hotel. The damage, which is confined to the west wing, will amount to less than \$1,000. The hotel has been closed since September. It was built in 1803.

BED BANK, N. J. Dec. 25.—The less by the fire her Friday night will not exceed \$50,000. The property was well insured.

Thoy, N. Y., Dec. 25.—The Grand Central Variety Theatre was consumed by fire this morning. The building was owned by Thomas Miller, of New York, whose loss is \$7,000. Albert Kramer of New York, was the lessee, and his loss is \$5,000. Total loss, \$12,000; partly insured. The wardrobes of the performers and the instruments of the musicians were destroyed. The fire originated from a bursted heater.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—A fire in Nelson, Perin & Co.s. mait house last evening inflicted \$20,000 damages. Fully insured.

ROCKLAND, ME., Dec. 25.—Fire this morning which started in the Courier office destroyed the Jones block and the Glover and Ames block adjusted heater.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Standard's Vienna dispatch says: "A telegram from \$1. Petersburg reports that the whole naval port of Cronstadt is cuite. One-quarter of the town is reported to be already destroyed. The thew of Nihiliats."

GUITEAU'S CHRISTMAS.

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How 'He Passed the Day-Ills Religious Discourse.

As has been customary on days when Guiteau did not go to court, he yesterday held quitea levee, receiving his numerous visitors in a red shirt. His biled shirt was in the wash, which was a sufficient excuse for his rather primitive attire. He, however, did not seem to allow the clothes question to embarrass him in the least, but received the visitors with as much grace and snavity of manner as if he had been strayed in purple and fine linen. He was in very good spirits, and engaged in conversation with great freedom. In the afternoon he placed himself under the hands of a barber and

resort to this device to hold him in check in court. Among his visitors yesterday were a number of hadies, and he was very courteous and polite in his manner toward them. One lady visitor remarked that she did not take much stock in religious feativals as they now existed for the reason that they commemorated only a certain kind and not allureligious. A pained expression crossed the face of the assays in as he listened to this rather irreverent criticism, and he gently but kindly urged upon her the importance of seeking religion, and advised her to consult with some uninster in regard to her eternal interests.

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HE ALSO GAVE KIMILAR ADVICE to other ladies and presented an edifying speciacle as he discoursed in plous terms of the religious interests of the soul. As some of his visitors had no doubt neglected the duty of going to church for the purpose of visiting the jail, the words of religious entreaty that fell from the assassin made up for what they had lost. His Christmas dimer was brought to the jail by his brother and he ate it with a hearty appetite.

The jurors passed Christmas very pleasantly. They had a special dimer prepared for them, but as they are all under the supervision of a doctor, notill effects may be anticipated. During the aftermoon they had a drive, and enjoyed the bright, bracing air immensely.

The prisoner has prepared another statement for publication, which he intimates contains important and interesting revelations bearing on his case. He does not propose, however, to distribute this screed granticously among representatives of the press, but is waiting for a customer who will pay him \$100 for it.

The French Guesta Return.

General Boulanger, Colonel Bassen, and a others of the representatives of France at the Yor town surrender contennal, reached Washingto yesterday and are registered at the Arlingto Frenchmen have been making an extended to of the country, visiting points of highest interefrom the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from thakes of the North to the Gulf of Mexico. The express themselves enthusiastically of the pleasure.

Presents to Popular Professors.

A very pleasant affair took place on Saturday evening last at the rooms of the National University Law School, on New York avenue. At the close of the ovening's exercise; Professor Eugene Carusi, the popular instructor of the inner class of this flourishing institution, was presented with a handsome set of Irving's celebrated works, complete. The presentation speech was made by Mr. B. F. Crawshaw, a member of the class, to which the recipient appropriately responded. On the evening previous the senior class gave their honored tutor, Frofessor H. O. Claughton, a valuable set of Carlyle's complete works. Mr. D. A. McKnight, the president of the class, made the presentation address, to which the donce fittingly responded. Both occasions were fraught with much interest.

Christmas Drunks.

Christmas Eve, generally a busy time in police circles, was this year remarkably quiet. This is, doubtless, owing to the fact that Christmas fell this year on a Sunday. To-day will, it is expected, be fully up to the average in disorders attendants on Christmas celebrations. The police report shows fifty-live cases of "drunk and disorderly" up to yesterday morning, distributed as follows: First Precinct, thus, Second Precinct, five; Third Precinct, four; Fourth Precinct, two; Fifth Precinct, twenty; Sixth Precinct, one; Seventh Precinct, ive; Eighth Precinct, nine.

Probable Heat Race.

MIDNIGHT MUSIC. and Impressive Service at St. Paul's Ritualistic Church,

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William D. Smith was arrested by Detective for several dayant his residence. No. 1218 Ctoones Saturday night on a charge of grand lar-cuty, having stolen a case of instruments from Dr.

—A pick-pocket in a church in Warsaw, Poland, was caught at thieving, and to escape cried "Pire!" A panie resulted and thirty persons were killed. The culprit was a Jew. Evveral Jew' shops were gutted by the populace afterward.

—Dr. Patterson, a well-known physician of St. Pani, Minn., shot and killed himself early yesterday morning. The body was found between the graves of his son and daughter. Whisky and optim are supposed to have been the cause of the suicide.

—A body of masked men broke into all the liquor shops in Cedarville, Greene County, Ohio, at three o'clock Saturday morning, and destroyed all the liquors on hand. Some of the buildings were almost torn flown. It is reported that the less will reach his the thousands.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

DIPLOMATIC AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Distinguished Hotel Guests-Judge Black-Dr. Lloyd Magruder-Mrs. Burnett on Departs ment Life-Miss Wilshire-A Typical American Girl.

assistant minister of the Chinese Empire, is in the city in few days and a guest at Wormley's.

The newly-arrived Chinese Minister. Mr. Cheng Trao Ju, with his wife, fourteen sceretaries and attaches, and ten servants, are quartered at the

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